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PLEA FOR VETS—Frank Edwards, left, AFL news commentator heard on the Mutual network, interviews Pete McKenna Jr., blind World War II veteran who served with Patton's Third Army. McKenna, who is married and has two children, made a plea for Congressional action to help wounded veterans and others who are not able to meet the high cost of living on their fixed incomes. (LPA)

Labor Council Studies Votes by Legislators

Voting records of Assemblyman Jame Silliman and Senator Fred Weybret in the recent session of the California State Legislature are being compiled and will be given careful scrutiny, according to Secretary A. J. Clark of the Central Labor Union of Monterey County, located at Salinas.

Clark said detailed reports will be made to the labor council at a later date, as soon as the State Federation of Labor has completed its regular compilation of legislature votes.

At the labor council meeting on July 13, business included:

Declaration of John Pettigrew, Castroville auto parts dealer who also employes three men for maintenance work which includes carpentry and other craft work, on the official "We Do Not Patronize" list of the labor council. The action was requested by Carpenters Union 925 and was taken when Pettigrew refused to appear at a council meeting to explain why his workers were not members of craft unions.

Purchase of $10 worth of tickets to the Shrine Circus in Salinas Aug. 3-4, the tickets to be turned over to underprivileged children.

Decision not to send an official delegate from the council to the coming convention of the A F of L in San Francisco in September.

Adoption of a resolution submitted by the Santa Clara County Central Labor Council and urging new state laws to protect tenure of teachers in state colleges.

Acceptance of Cecil Brophy as new delegate from Carpenters Union 925.

Report on a visit of Secretary Jeannette Zoccoli on matters pertaining to Office Employees Union 94, which has members in this area.

ALSOP ELECTED BTC PRESIDENT

John Alsop of Sheet Metal Workers Union 304 and long active in building union circles, was elected president of the Monterey County Building Trades Council at last week's meeting, succeeding William Grubbs. Installation of newly elected officers, with incumbent returned to secretary posts, will be at the Aug. 2 meeting. Key officials elected are:

President—John Alsop (Sheet Metal Workers).

Vice president—A. B. Robinson (Bricklayers).

Recording secretary—Harry Foster (Sheet Metal Workers).

Financial secretary—Lloyd T. Long (Plumbers).

Sergeant-at-arms—C. J. Howard.

Andrade Vacations

Peter A. Andrade, secretary-treasurer of General Teamsters Union 890 of Monterey County, was on his vacation over the week end, on a trip to "points north," his office reported. Andrade was due back for a special meeting on Friday of this week but was expected to leave again to complete his vacationing.

WORK SLOWING FOR SALINAS AREA LABORERS

With construction jobs at a standstill and with the PG&E plant project laying off men, work for members of Laborers Union 272 has suffered a setback, Business Agent Wray D. Empie reports.

The Frederickson-Watson highway project on 101 South and prospects of new work in the San Ardo oil fields and at Camp Roberts are shortly, Empie added. Some Salinas laborers have found work in the Monterey area.

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William Gamboa, old timer in Laborers Union 272, is convalescing at his home, 211 Front St., following a serious emergency operation, the union announces.

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Lillian Johnson, office manager for Local 272, has been vacationing in the Lake Tahoe area. She is due back on the job this week.

Culinary Picnic Reset for Aug. 8

Annual barbecue and picnic outing of Culinary Alliance 467 of Salinas has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 8, at the Salinas Country Club, union Secretary Bertha A. Boles announces. The affair originally had been announced for one day earlier but earlier commitment of the grounds necessitated change in date.

There will be barbecued steak dinners with all the trimmings, Mrs. Boles said. Tickets are free for members but guests will be charged $2.50 per dinner. Serving of the dinner is scheduled for 1 p.m. Dacing and games are planned for the afternoon. Members and guests are asked to bring their own eating utensils.

Control Wages, Not Prices? No Soap, Labor Tells Truman

Washington (LPA).—Top AFL and CIO officials warned Congress July 12 labor will boycott wage controls unless Capitol Hill sends President Truman an anti-inflation bill that will effectively control prices.

AFL President William Green and CIO Secretary-Treasurer James B. Carey said organized labor **"just cannot go along with wage controls if prices are going to be allowed to run wild."** Both Green and Carey agreed that the economic controls bill already passed by the Senate and a similar version now before the House were "inadequate."

Green and Carey expressed their views to an estimated 125 Congressmen—17 of them Republicans—in a closed-door session called by Rep. Adolph Sabath (D., Ill.) to rally support for stronger wage-price controls.

NEED STRONGER CONTROLS

Mobilization Chief Charles E. Wilson, who spoke first, told the House members the present Senate and House bills were "insufficient" to meet the needs of the defense program. He said the country would suffer if Congress cut down the goverrment's power to effectively control wages, prices, credit and materials allocations. Wilson said that what was needed were stronger controls — not weaker ones.

The extraordinary meeting with House members followed by two days a secret conference between 10 top labor officials and President Truman at Blair House. Mr. Truman expressed concern over the weakened House-Senate bills and pledged the Administration would continue to fight for effective controls. The labor leaders indicated to the President they would urge him to veto any Congressional bill that does not provide adequate price controls.

Those attending the two-hour session with Mr. Truman were Green, Carey, CIO President Philip Murray; Al J. Hayes, president of the AFL Machinists; David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the CIO Steelworkers; Daniel Tracy, president of the AFL Electrical Workers; A. E. Lyons of the Railway Labor Executives Association; George Meany, secretary-treasurer of the AFL; G. E. Leighty, president of the Railway Labor Executives, and Emil Rieve, president of the CIO Textile Workers.

Sales Tax Plan For Mont. Area Draws Protests

The cities of Monterey, Carmel and Pacific Grove are laying plans for enactment of city sales tax measures but Organized Labor as well as many businesmen are making their own arrangements to protest the action with vigor, it was reported last week.

Opposition to the sales tax, which places the burden on the working man who is least able to pay, who cannot afford to travel to non-tax areas, and who must spend the bulk of his wages on items so taxed, always comes from labor groups.

The business interests, realizing that the sales tax of ½ of 1 per cent will drive away business in varying amount, fear further decline in gross sales, which are already below normal in many instances, according to reports.

Seaside, Marina, and business districts in unincorporated districts are watching the municipalities with interest in the sales tax plan—businessmen of these unincorporated districts, many of which cater chiefly to working people, are anticipating a jump in business as purchasers, already overtaxed, turn to tax-free shopping centers for necessities.

Another fear which has been expressed is that if all three cities cannot put the sales tax in effect, or not at the same time, business may be driven to the city which has no such tax.

Experience with parking meters, and subsequent gains of businesses where there are no such meters, has caused further concern regarding the sales tax plan, it was pointed out.

These matters were discussed by the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council delegates last week as that body outlined plans to oppose the city sales tax proposals, union officials added.

FCWU Members Hear Contract Talk Progress

Members of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union were informed of progress of negotiations for a new contract at the union's regular meeting last Friday night, officers of the union announced.

Contract discussions between union and employer representatives are progressing well, it was reported. Sardine season opens on August 1 and union officials expressed hope that the contract could be settled in time for a good season. No report was made on the Fishermen's Union contract status.

Last week one plant on Cannery Row was busy with tuna, while two others packed some squid. The tuna was caught elsewhere and shipped in while the squid was caught locally, it was said.

Songs of Labor

New York (LP).—Three songs from "Sing a Labor Song," the AFL Machinists' collection, are included in a new 63-page songbook, "Everybody Sings," published by the AFL International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

PIPE LINE JOB DUE TO START

Monterey union laborers are awaiting the call from Stolte, Inc., general contractors, for work on the Del Monte sewer laterals as result of word that pipe for this delayed project has been released and will be received on the job in a few days.

According to S. M. Thomas, business agent of Laborer Union 690, the sewer project should get under way within two weeks.

Thomas added that 20 men are now working on the Seaside district sewer installations, under Contractor Manuel Smith of Hayward.

Baldwin Away But Local 925 Offices Open

Although Harvey Baldwin, financial secretary and business agent of Salinas Carpenters Union 925, is away on his annual vacation, the offices of Local 925 are being kept open for business as usual by Office Secretary Margaret Brown.

Hours for the office are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Members are urged to remember these hours for transaction of all union business.

Baldwin was out of town for his vacation but he declined to say where he was going, except to say he was planning a "trip to get some rest."

Farm Laborers Open Quarters At Salinas LT

Formation of a Salinas Farm Labor Union Council and opening of headquarters of two locals of the National Farm Labor Union in this area at the Salinas Labor Temple was announced last week by Hank Hasiwar, general representative for the NFLU.

Hasiwar said that Carl Lara, former painter business agent and ex-president of the Central Labor Council of Salinas, who resigned more than a year ago to accept a job as organizer for farm workers, has returned from Puerto Rico to assist in the Salinas Valley for the farm union.

Also in the Salinas office will be Ernest Galarza, who has been connected with the two area unions, Locals 286 and 294, for some time, Hasiwar said.

A comprehensive organizing drive will be conducted in the Salinas Valley by the NFLU, which has already been pledged full support of the labor council and many local unions.

The Farm Labor Union Council has set up its offices in the small office room at the rear of the Labor Temple, a room formerly occupied by Mechanics and Machinists Union 1824, which in turn has moved into larger space vacated by the Building Trades Council in the small meeting hall at rear of the Temple.

By coincidence, Lara has returned to Salinas to the office he first occupied when he became an official of Painters Union 1104, which at that time occupied the small office room. Later Local 1104 moved into the small meeting hall office space and more recently into the main Labor Temple building, where Peter A. Greco is now agent for Local 1104, re-elected just two weeks ago.

MERGER BY-LAWS GROUP TO MEET

Second meeting of the special joint committee from Culinary Alliance 467 and Bartenders Union 545 of Salinas for the purpose of working on a new set of by-laws for the new combined union which will be formed by merger of these two locals in September was scheduled for Tuesday of this week.

A. J. Clark, secretary of Local 545, said progress was being made on the by-laws, which will be ready for submission to a combined meeting of the unions in a short time.

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BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., Lewis Conine, 36 W. Alisal, phone 5591; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

BARTENDERS 545 — Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p. m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY — Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove. Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone Mont. 2-3002. Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Johnson, 348 Cayuga St.; Rec. Sec., Bob Johnson, 217 Dadaro Dr.; Exec. Sec., Earl A. Moorhead; Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtright, 1897 Ellen Ave., San Jose, ph. CYpress 5-3849. **Hollister - Gilroy Branch** — Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St., Hollister; Rec. Sec., Harold Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 139, Hollister, ph. 43F5. Main office, 45 Santa Teresa Ave., San Jose phone CYpress 3-0252.

CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR—C. J. Haggerty, Secretary & Legislative Representative, 810 David Hewes Bldg., 995 Market St., San Francisco 3; phone SUtter 1-2838. **District Vice-President, Thomas A. Small,** office 306 Seventh Ave., San Mateo; phone DIamond 4-7609.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., Carpenters Hall. Pres., Herbert Nelson. Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 556 San Benito, phone Salinas 6716, Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 422 N. Main St., phone 9293.

CARPENTERS 1279 (King City) — Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at King City Carpenters Hall. Pres., Bill Young, phone 376-J. Sec., A. W. Reiger, 411 South San Lorenzo Ave., phone 694-W. Bus. Agt., San Ardo, phone 2652.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 8nd Tuesday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Donald Halcomb, 244 Lang St., phone 8517; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Roy E. Brayton, 323½ Central, phone 5416; Fin. Sec., Mrs. Wm. Pilliar, 23 Prunedale Rd., phone 9902. Office, 323½ Central, phone 5416.

CARPENTERS DISTRICT COUNCIL — Meets 2nd Tuesday, alternating between Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, King City, 8 p.m. Pres., Harvey Baldwin, ph. Salinas 9293; V. Pres., Geo. Colby, ph. Santa Cruz 6095; Sec.-Treas., Leo Thintgen, ph. Monterey 5-6726; office, 462A Main St., Watsonville, ph. 4-9403.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m., at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. A. Wood. Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 7787.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles. Office, Glikbarg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 6209.

DRY CLEANERS 258-B—Meets 2nd Thurs- Pres., Wm. Nuelle, 1027 Del Monte St., phone 2-3590. Sec.-Treas., Josephine Jones, 674 E. Market, phone 2-0871; Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA 1-3336.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesdays; Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Esser, 915 W. Laurel Dr., phone 2-3273; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozois, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2886.

ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Derby; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christiansen, Rm. 483, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone CYpress 2-6393. Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone UNderhill 1-1135.

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JOINT EXECUTIVE BOARD, Bartenders 545 and Culinary Alliance 467—Meets 2nd Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m., Labor Temple. Pres., Bertha A. Boles, phone 6209; Sec., A. J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633.

LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at Salinas Labor Temple, 4th Monday at Soledad Forresters Hall. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 6939. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., Wray D. Empie, Labor Temple, 1177 Pajaro, phone 6777.

LATHERS 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Wm. Krane, Rt. 6, Bx. 513, Watsonville, ph. 4-6262; Sec. & B. A., Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson, Salinas, ph. 2-2906.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 258 — Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p. m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59-1st Ave. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco. Phone MA. 1-2336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6200.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824 — Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p. m. Pres., Alex Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wiren St., phone Salinas 9494.

OFFICE EMPLOYEES 29 (Business Offices)—Meets on call. Headquarters 1919 Grove St., Oakland, phone TWinoaks 3-5933, Sec., Marilyn E. Anglin; Bus. Agt., John B. Kinnick.

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PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Otis Sleeper, 54 Oregon, phone 2-3992; Rec. Sec., L. Wendelkin, 649 E. Alisal; Fin. Sec. and B.A., Peter A. Greco, home, 417 Lincoln; office, 117 Pajaro, phone 8783.

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PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m. (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Ray Hopper; Fin. Sec. and B.A., E. R. Arbuckle, office, Labor Temple, phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046 — Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., L. J. Mullins, 114 Kenneth St., ph. 4404; Sec., Richard LaFayette, 300 River Rd., ph. 9973.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Lawrence Vestal, 406 Calif. St., phone 6624; Sec. and B.A., Garold F. Miller, 206 Alisal St., phone 2-3366; office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Rm. 1, phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sekols, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec. and B.A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec. Ray Opfer, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

STATE, COUNTY, MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karcich, 20 Natividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616 — Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, Firemen's Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., B. P. Fosselman, Spreckels, Sec.-Treas., Robert S. MacRossie, Spreckels, phone 3064.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Pres., Don Thompson, 416 Park, Salinas; V. Pres., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson, Monterey; Sec., Fred Clayson, 70 Robley Rd., Salinas, ph. 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611 — Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Shedo Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Bx. 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets 3rd Monday, 8 p.m. alternating at Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., C. H. Buck, Watsonville, phone 4-3217.

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No Firemen

In Rome, Italy, the country's democratic unions decided in a hurry to pressure the government for higher pay for firemen. Despite the fact that there are 2,000,000 unemployed in Italy the Interior Ministry has been unable to hire firemen because the wage scales are too low.

INSPECT RADIATOR HOSES

Hot water passing through the radiator and heater hoses of an automobile will eventually cause them to deteriorate. Hoses that appear perfect on the outside may be almost completely closed due to swelling and deterioration of the inner layers of rubber.

Unions Lead Drive To Clean Up Flood

Kansas City, Mo.—AFL unions joined with other labor organizations, contractors and city officials to establish a nonprofit organization for cleaning up flood debris in this stricken city.

"This is a community effort and all we want to do is get the job done," Perrin D. McElroy, secretary of the Kansas City Building and Construction Trades Council, said.

"Plasterers and bricklayers and others, skilled and semi-skilled, all will be handling shovels. It must and shall be a nonprofit organization."

The organization will cooperate in helping to clean private plants and get them back into operation.

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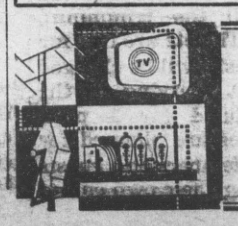
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Calif. Set for Invasion of Slave Labor

(State Fed. Release)

Despite the militant protests of California and border state labor forces, President Truman last week signed the Ellender-Poage importation bill which will permit U. S. corporate farmers to haul thousands of poverty-stricken Mexican nationals on to American soil for exploitation in the Big Business agriculture of California, Texas and Arizona.

In Washington, H. L. Mitchell, president of the National Farm Labor Union, AFL, attacked the Truman action, charging "the ink was scarcely dry on the document the President signed before the Labor and State Departments were rushing a delegation to Mexico City to set low standards that will apply to American citizens as well as imported Mexicans."

The NFLU recently waged a losing strike against the politically powerful Imperial Valley growers in which use of Mexican nationals proved the crushing factor of the campaing for decent wages and union recognition.

Unionists' Boy Stars

Hoboken, N. J. (LPA). — Mrs. Dorothy Roederer, a tea inspector at the Standard Brands plant here and a member of the AFL Meat, Cannery and Farm Workers Union, is the mother of Bob Anthony, coast-to-coast radio singing star. His brother also is a member of the union.

Haggerty Is Named On Area Manpower Board by Sec. Tobin

(State Fed. Release)

U. S. Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin last week announced appointment of C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, to the regional labor-management committee embracing the western states of California, Arizona and Nevada.

Thirteen such regional committees have been established throughout the nation to assist in the mobilization of civilian manpower for defense and other essential activities.

Other AFL men named to the western area were Roy M. Brown, general vice president of the International Association of Machinists, Los Angeles; R. J. McCarthy, west coast representative of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, San Francisco; and A. E. Williams, president, Phoenix Building Trades Council, AFL, Phoenix, Arizona.

The committees are composed of representatives of labor and management from industry, agriculture, transportation, and retail trade.

Tobin revealed that, in addition to the regional committees, area labor-management will be set up in all labor market areas which have, or anticipate, manpower problems in connection with the defense program. The area committees will advise state employment security administrators on manpower problems in the local communities.

Free labor insists on universal education—Lincoln—1859.

Label Week Sept. 2 to 8

(State Fed. Release)

Raymond F. Leheney, secretary-treasurer of the AFL's Union Label Trades Department, last week reminded all affiliated organizations to plan for the 1951 Union Label Week, scheduled this year for September 2 through September 8.

State federations and central councils were asked to petition their respective governors and mayors requesting that the September 2-8 period be officially designated as Union Label Week.

Last year Governor Earl Warren of California officially recognized Union Label Week and numerous mayors throughout the state also issued local proclamations.

Purpose of the annual labor campaign is to improve the American workers' standard of living through purchase of goods and materials made by union labor under decent wages, hours, and conditions of work.

AFL Appeal Given Governor Warren

(State Fed. Release)

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, and Charles P. Scully, Federation attorney, last week presented arguments to Governor Earl Warren against two unemployment insurance bills now before the Governor for study following adoption by the legislature.

The AFL spokesmen advised that the following two measures would deprive thousands of Californians of unemployment insurance benefits:

(1) **AB 2502,** introduced by Assemblymen Richard J. Dolwig (R., South San Francisco) and Ernest R. Geddes (R., Pomona). This bill would nullify wages earned in the period just prior to a worker's first claim for unemployment insurance in any second claim for benefits. At the present time, such wages as are not allowed in the first computation are recognized in the later claim.

(2) **AB 1715,** introduced by Assemblyman Harold K. Levering (R., Los Angeles). This bill would nullify wages earned by a woman worker prior to leaving employment for domestic or marital reasons in the computation of a later claim for unemployment benefits until she had earned at least $100 in subsequent employment.

50th Birthday

Spokane (LPA). — The 50th anniversary of receipt of its charter is being celebrated by Local 400, AFL Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union, which in 1910 absorbed two other locals.

Committee Votes $33 Million for Valley Projects

Increased funds for irrigation features of the California Central Valley Project were approved by the Senate Appropriations Committee last week. Appropriations recommended total over $33 million.

Butchers on Radio

San Diego (LPA). — A weekly half-hour news events radio program is sponsored here by the Butcher Workmen's local. Previously for 18 months it presented the "Maisie" serial.

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EDITORIALS

Real Danger in Waiting

Too many voters take the position that they will wait and see what they have to choose between when the next election rolls around. That is the very kind of thinking that is mostly responsible for the terrible political predicament we today find ourselves in. It was this kind of thinking that gave us the rotten Congress we have today.

Rest assured that if you wait until the next election before you start to make up your mind about whom you are to cast your vote for that you will by that time have mighty little to choose between. Now is the time to start exercising your power as a political unit in our commonwealth. If you fail to start now it will be too late to get anything effective done next year. Now is the time you must start looking around for suitable candidates to get entered for the campaigns of next year.

It is not those candidates who run the hardest for office, who necessarily will be the best officials in case they are elected. Only too often the best and most loyal public servants are not at all inclined to be candidates for office for which they are well fitted unless their fellow citizens let them know they are wanted and needed to take over important public offices. If you know such a one get in touch with that prospect immediately. Unless good candidates are entered in the primaries early next year they cannot be nominated and unless they are first nominated they cannot possibly be elected. Now is the most important time of all for good citizens to get busy politically.

When We Stop to Think

There are times when that which people do gives an inerasible insight into what such people stand for. This is particularly true of a lot of the bad members of our present Congress. Many of them are now coming out in their true colors to disclose they have little or no regard for the masses of the people, whose votes were chiefly responsible for their own election. Evidently they accept the philosophy that since so many voters did not have better sense than to elect them in the first place that it will be just as easy to persuade them to do it again.

Many voters have never stopped to think seriously about what the failure of our present Congress to deal with the problems of today will be doing to all of us in the near future. Right now our uppermost problem is inflation. It is the sworn duty of the members of Congress not only to deal with this problem but to regulate it right. That is what our constitution means when it lays down the law that Congress shall have the power to issue all money and regulate the value thereof.

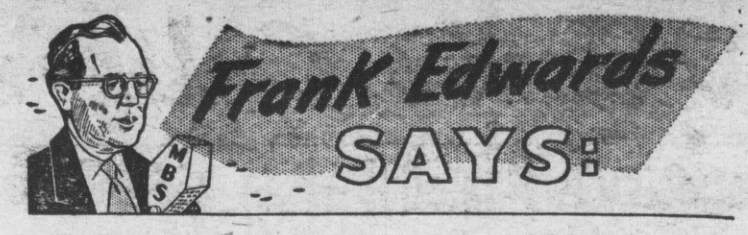
If our Congress would prescribe how much bread, milk and meat each one of our American dollars could buy and so with everything else, right down the line, the members of our lawmaking body would be doing merely what the constitution of the United States of America requires them to do. But is our present Congress doing this? Not at all. It is just sidestepping this most important duty of today.

Profits Interest Congress

It has been made abundantly clear that our present Congress consists of entirely too many people, whose chief concern is to protect and promote the interests of the profiteers. Before most of our present lawmakers are going to establish any price controls they have let it be known that those engaged in various forms of business must first be guaranteed profits on every step they may be required to take to bring their operations to completion.

To the profiteers this must sound like the gospel they worship. How gratifying it must be, after spending so much money to get elected the kind of lawmakers who will do their bidding, to find such Congressmen now dancing at the crack of the whip, exactly the way the profiteers want them to step? But what about so many of the common people, whose votes helped to elect our present lawmakers in Congress, who are now professing openly that they are much more concerned with profits, than with the welfare of the more common people who elected them?

While these profiteers in Congress are so solicitous about guaranteeing profits to Big Business, they seem not to be interested in the least in guaranteeing living wages to those who work for a living, to say nothing of guaranteeing something extra for the uncertain future. While prices zoom most of our present Congressmen take the position that wages must be left where they are. Again that is the creed of their masters.



Washington, D. C.

Housewives Angry at Congress . . .

The irate housewives of Pontiac, Mich., are expressing their feelings about price gouging in a very unusual way. A group of them mailed some good ripe cat-meat and dog food to Sen. Homer Ferguson and Rep. George Dondero. One of the enclosed notes said "Thanks to the higher prices you voted for, this is the only kind of meat we can afford."

Car Buyers Lose Again . . .

The National Production Authority has reversed itself and decided that all five tires will again be supplied on each new car. This is a victory for the four dominant tire makers whose representatives are in key positions in NPA. At first they banned the sale of spare tires, hoping a panic market would develop, but customers bought the extra tires at lower prices from independent dealers—so they changed their minds.

Peace in Korea and Prices . . .

Economic advisers to the nation's biggest companies think a slump in both prices and sales will follow peace in Korea—but only for a short time. After a few months, however, our factories humming with war business will pour new billions of dollars into our financial bloodstream. This will mean skyrocketing prices and taxes, unless prevented by congressional action.

A Phony Gas Order . . .

The Petroleum Administration for Defense has drafted an order to bar installation of home heating equipment. This will simply prevent homeowners from using low-cost natural gas and create new markets for fuel oil and higher profits for the oil industry.

Rent Gouging of G.I.s Uncovered . . .

The Senate Preparedness Committee has just discovered what I disclosed months ago—that servicemen's families are being gouged by "patriotic" landlords around various military camps. An extensive investigation is going to be made of the disgraceful housing conditions around these camps.

JOKES, Etc.

Women are willing to suffer for their beliefs—that is, when they believe they can wear a girdle three sizes smaller than the rear.

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Advertisement in Harwich & Dovercourt (England) Standard: "Ladies, start the New Year well, treat hubby to a tip-cart load of manure."

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It isn't accurate to say there aren't any more morals. There are, only they're different, that's all.

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Even more ominous
Than the rumble of a riot,
Is a bunch of kids,
Suddenly quiet.

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National Production Authority has issued a long list of things that may no longer be made out of brass, and we'd like to suggest an addition—hats.

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The mania to possess brings debts which in turn bring neuroses.

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The hand that rocks the cradle once turned down the parlor lights.

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Find a reactionary anywhere in the world and you'll see him look to Washington the way a pious Mohammedan turns to Mecca.

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Things are no longer a pleasure when they own you instead of you owning them.



TIME OF THE YEAR—This is bathing suit time—wish it were all year, and so does this young lady when she realizes how this sort of costume draws men like flies.

Seven-year-old Nancy's mother was not at the dinner table, so the little girl sat in her mother's place. Her brother, not liking this arrangement, immediately challenged her position.

"So you're the mother tonight," he sneered. "Well, how much is eight times seven?"

Without a moment's hesitation, Nancy nonchalantly replied, "I'm busy. Ask your father."

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Housewife: "I don't see why Mrs. Roosevelt don't tell Uncle Joe to leave us be."

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Psychiatrist: "If I don't cure you in eight months I'll return your mania."

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"L'apres-midi d'un Vaughn."

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When nature's crops fail us we can accept famine without feeling foolishly defeated, but when, in our civilization, there can be overproduction of goods and food and still there can be famine in the midst of such plenty, one feels gorged with the feeling of stupidity.

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A clerk swears it's true: A gal whose wedding is scheduled for June asked for a formal nightgown. "Because," she explained, "I've only know him for five weeks."

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It is quite possible to find a needle in a hay stack. That is where the farmer's daughter does her fancy work.

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Walter Winchell is so important to the listeners in the Golden West that his Sunday broadcasts come through twice—at 6 and 8:30 p.m. They must think the mentality is exceptionally low.

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When gloating over the low prices in the Good Old Days, don't forget the low wages.

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Overheard: "He thinks he's a Fountainhead, but he's only a drip."

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John D. Rockefeller: "God gave me my money."

Get Postal Pay

In Annapolis, Md., the old portal-to-portal squabble ended in victory for 44 AFL carpenters who didn't like the idea of having to walk increasingly greater distances as a huge bridge was pushed across the Chesapeake Bay. The AFL men forced the contractor to pay them for half the time they spend hiking from shore out to the job and back.



Your Security Office is at 196 San Augustine St., San Jose 10. Phone CYpress 2-2480.

Have you ever checked on your Social Security account? Do you know if all of your wages are credited to your account?

Last week we discussed the importance of giving your employer your correct number when you go to work on a new job. We explained that your future right to benefits depended on the proper crediting of the wages you have paid tax on to your own Social Security account. For instance, if your employer has reported your wages to the Social Security Administration under the wrong number, when it comes time for you to file a claim you may be denied benefits because those wages were never credited.

The Social Security Administration wants you to make sure that your account is correct at all times. To make this as simple a procedure as possible for you, a special post card is available to request a statement of your social security wage record. This card can be filled out and mailed by you in about one minute. The card is already addressed to the accounting office of the Social Security Administration in Baltimore, Maryland. You should check your account about once every three years. By doing this, you can locate any errors in time for corrections to be made.

If you want one of these post card forms, write your nearest Social Security office and ask for post card form OAR-7004. Do it now!

Labor Gives Notice It Will Not Accept "False-Bottom" Controls

Washington (LPA).—Organized labor warned Congress that it will not accept wage controls if prices are allowed to run wild. The notice was given to 125 Congressmen at a special meeting with labor's leaders, and followed an extraordinary night session of labor leaders with President Truman at Blair House. Meanwhile a wrecking crew in the House was scuttling controls, and voting to give even more outrageous profits to business.

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D'ANDREA RESPONDS TO WELCOME — Anthony D'Andra, left, president Chicago Laborers' District Council, responds on behalf of AFL delegation to Intl. Confed. of Free Trade Unions at Milan, Italy, World Conference to welcoming speech by Mayor Ferrari of Milan. Right, Giulio Pastore, general secretary Italian Confederation of Labor.

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Truman Asks Funds, Stronger Law, To Handle Mexican Farm Labor

Washington.—President Truman said he had assurances of congressional leaders that they would act at this session on his requests for more funds and a stronger law to handle the importation of Mexican farm labor.

With these assurances, he said he signed into law the Mexican Farm Labor Importation Bill which AFL President William Green and the United Labor Policy Committee had asked him to veto.

In a special message to Congress, Mr. Truman asked:

1. A law to punish anyone harboring or concealing aliens illegally in this country.

2. A law giving the Immigration and Naturalization Service the right to inspect the premises of the big farm-factories for aliens illegally in this country.

3. Supplemental appropriations for the Immigration Service for a stricter border patrol against illegal entries and for the Farm Placement Service of the U. S. Department of Labor to recruit domestic workers for agricultural employment.

Mr. Truman's requests were aimed at halting the use of "wetbacks," Mexicans who swim or wade the Rio Grande to enter this country without permission and depress American living and working standards.

H. L. Mitchell, president AFL National Farm Labor Union, said that "unless the President sees to it that the Labor Department carries out its responsibilities regarding the farm labor program better than in the past, increased appropriations for the Farm Placement Service will mean little to the American farmer."

"The present Farm Placement Service is grower-dominated and spends 98 per cent of its efforts in working out plans to import cheap foreign labor for exploitation by industrialized enterprises," he said.

The bill signed by President Truman permits the importation of Mexican nationals into any area where the Secretary of Labor certifies that there is a labor shortage. It provides no penalties for using "wetbacks," 500,000 of whom were found in this country and deported last year.

AFL Urges Boost In Income Taxes Of Wealthier Groups

Washington (LPA).—The little man is carrying too big a share of the tax burden now, the AFL told the Senate Finance Committee in presenting its tax proposals July 11. Arthur Elder called for $7 billion more in income taxes; elimination of the split-income provision for carried couples. He opposed any more excise taxes, or sales tax either at the manufacturers or retail level.

Time and a half pay after 40 hours in any week is required by the Federal wage-hour law for non-exempt covered workers.

Need Only 7 States to Kill Income Tax

Washington.—Labor, the weekly newspaper of standard railroad organizations, reported that the Western Tax Council of Chicago claims only seven more states are needed to repeal the federal income tax amendment to the U. S. constitution.

Labor, which has been fighting the so-called "millionaires' amendment" since it was first proposed more than 10 years ago, said that the tax lobby sponsoring the amendment claims that governors cannot veto nor legislatures rescind their approval of this proposal.

To date 25 states approved the amendment to repeal the 16th Amendment. Governors in two states had vetoed the resolution and legislatures in three others had rescinded their action, but the tax lobby says such action has no standing in law.

The Western Tax Council says it needs approval in only seven more states to get the 32 necessary to force Congress to call a constitutional convention for the ratification of the proposed new amendment.

In place of the present unlimited federal income tax, the tax lobby would propose an amendment limiting any federal income tax to 25 per cent. This would immediately dry up the federal government's major source of revenue and require the imposition of a staggering sales tax that would overburden the low-income wage earners.

2 More Occupations On the Critical List; Shortages Growing

Washington (LPA).—Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin has added power cable splicer and power lineman to the list of critical occupations, raising the total to 60.

The list is used by the Department of Defense in considering requests for delay in calling up reservists and members of the National Guard to active duty. The list is also used for guidance by local draft boards.

Meanwhile the government announced occupational shortages growing, especially in the professional and skilled fields. Local offices of state employment services reported 64,155 job openings unfilled as of June 13.

Biggest unfilled demand is for mechanical and electrical engineers and draftsmen, machinists, tool and die makers, machine tool operators, skilled aircraft assembly workers, and aircraft, auto, railroad and other types of mechanics and repairmen, according to Robert C. Goodwin, executive director of the Defense Manpower Administration.

Who Gets Sick Most?

(AFL Release)

New York.—People with the lowest incomes are usually sick oftener and die sooner than those with high incomes, says the Twentieth Century Fund.

Farm-Labor Unity Urged by Green

Rock Island, Ill.—AFL President William Green called on branches of the labor movement located close to the farm areas of the nation to serve as goodwill ambassadors of the AFL to farmers.

Speaking at the dedication of the Labor Temple, Mr. Green said that there is still "a dangerous degree of animosity manifested by farm representatives toward labor unions, especially in Congress."

"It has truly been said that the prosperity of the nation's farmers depends upon the prosperity of the nation's workers—and vice versa," Mr. Green said. "This economic interdependence alone should serve as a unifying force between labor and agriculture."

He pointed out that the AFL favors farm price supports and farm cooperatives. He said that a lack of understanding of the mutual problems of farmers and workers, and the use of anti-labor propaganda by Big Business contribute to keeping these 2 great groups apart.

"It is up to us in the labor movement to develop a broader and more sympathetic understanding between farmers and union workers," Mr. Green said.

Tag Wild Salmon

The nation's first large-scale marking of wild salmon is under way at the state's Prairie Creek hatchery, near Orick, Humboldt County.

Before the summer is over, a crew of eight men seiners and seven women markers will have clipped the fins of more than 200,000 wild silver salmon fingerlings. The fish are netted in coastal streams of Del Norte and Humboldt counties, with a distinctive coded fin clip to show the home waters of each fish.

Biologist Richard J. Hallock of the California Division of Fish and Game believes that results of the season's marking will give valuable future information about the ocean behavior of the silvers. The program is in its second year.

Fish coded at the Prairie Creek hatchery can be identified wherever taken because the marking pattern and related data are coordinated through the tri-state Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission. Results help guide management plans and future regulations for salmon along the entire Pacific Coast.

The young silvers are released, after marking, into perennial coastal streams where they spend their first year before "going to sea."

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HOUSING PROBLEM — The family of Fred Coulter, Portland, Ore., union member, finds a four-room flat mighty crowded since the arrival of triplets jumped the family from four to seven all at once. Diapers, bottles, bassinets, and baby clothes leave little elbow-room in the tiny flat. Says Mrs. Coulter, "We're trying to find another place, but they're all so expensive." (LPA)

Big Biz Tax Windfall Greater Than ALL Jobless Benefits

(AFL Release)

Washington.—The Defense Production Administration granted tax amortizations totaling $7.6 billion in 10 months through June.

This total is greater than all of the reserves of the Unemployment Compensation funds built up painstakingly through 15 years. The UC fund just recently went over the $7 billion figure.

Every worker knows how Big Business has screamed against the slow growth of this fund. They've seen how successfully Big Business got its contributions whittled down in most states by so-called merit-rating plans.

But workers and the taxpayers generally must stand helplessly by as the Big Business men appointed by Defense Mobilization Administrator Charles E. Wilson pass out these tax benefits, which enable employers to deduct from their tax bills over 5 years the cost of any new buildings put up for defense purposes.

They get the buildings, you get the bills.

Wage-Board Wrecking Amendment Slows Down New Policy Rules

Washington.—The House Labor Committee's proposed amendment to wreck the Wage Stabilization Board slowed down the development of a new wage policy for more than a month.

The backlog of cases grew from 2500 on June 1 to 4800 on June 29.

The amendment was proposed to create an all-public board as advisory only to Economic Stabilization Administrator Eric Johnston. WSB Chairman George W. Taylor said it would wreck the board reconstituted according to United Labor Policy Committee proposals and approved by President Truman's Defense Mobilization Advisory Board.

Prior to this wrecking attempt, the new WSB had made progress in revitalizing the national wage policy by broadening rules on tandem relationships, new plants, Fair Labor Standards Act minimum wage, by establishing an automatic 95 cents an hour ceiling for agriculture, and by approval of meat packing, shipbuilding and auto industries wage cases for the correction of inequities, abnormal base periods and productivity increases.

Included in a list of 20 matters still untouched by the WSB in evolving a fully-round policy are deferred increases, pensions, insurance and welfare plans, substandard wage rates, inter-plant and intra-plant inequities, escalator clauses, wage stabilization in industries exempt from price control, reduction of work week without loss of pay.

Wives Blast High Prices

Portland, Ore.—A group of 15 housewives hastily organized by wives of four AFL members obtained 1600 messages to congressmen for a strong price and rent control act in four hours.

That's better than six per minute.

Armed with pencils, blank postcards and big sandwich boards, the group took the price control issue to consumers at store fronts and on street corners. The sandwich boards said:

"Today's best buy—a penny postcard to your congressman for price controls and rollbacks."

Mrs. O. D. Cook of the AFL Telegraphers Union said they showed a profit on the enterprise because many persons gave more than a penny for their postcard on which to write their congressmen. Mrs. Lee Swafford of the Post Office Clerks Auxiliary said they had to replenish their supply of cards and pencils and Mrs. Roy Renoud, wife of an AFL Electricians business agent, said many of the messages used strong language.

"Enough British Nationalization For the Present"

London (LPA).—Britain's largest trade union opposes further nationalization at least until government operation of those industries already taken over proves highly successful. Arthur Deaken, secretary-general of the Transport and General Workers' Union (over 1,300,000 workers), said the Labor Party would "get the biggest whacking" ever at the next election if "there is any considerable extension of the principle of nationalization."

Britain, under the Labor Party, already has nationalized tranportation, iron, steel and coal. Deakin said that before the government "steps out further into the nationalization of other industries we (the Labor Party) have got to justify our claims by making nationalization the success we know it can be."

Sardines Move North

The Pacific sardine, mainstay of one of the state's richest fisheries, started moving north to spawn earlier this year than it did in 1950, according to a report of the California Marine Research Committee.

During February a few eggs and larvae were found off Southern California, an area where none were taken by research vessels until April, 1950. Each year, spawning gradually spreads to the north from Baja California, where the earliest, and frequently the heaviest, spawning takes place.

Early appearance of eggs and larvae off Southern California is revealed in the interim progress report submitted to the committee by California Academy of Sciences, the Division of Fish and Game, the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

AFL Potters To Ask 25% Wage Increase

Atlantic City, N. J. (LPA). — The AFL Brotherhood of Operative Potters voted in convention here to demand a 25 per cent wage boost from the U. S. Potters Association. The union, which represents 30,000 workers in the industry, will ask the management association to begin conferences soon to write a new contract to replace the one which expires Sept. 30.

If you're rich, quit the union.



FISHERLADY IN DISTRESS — The line forms to the right, boys, if you're eager to help this young lady get fishing equipment untangled from where it is tangled. Nice catch.—(LPA.)

Bldg. Serv. Council Gives Scholarships

(State Fed. Release)

Two young, war-buffeted Californians have been awarded $750 Charles Hardy Memorial College scholarships by the California State Council of Building Service Employees, AFL.

One is Russian-born, 26-year-old Boris Bylinkin, who came to the United States only four years ago, unable to speak English, but who was graduated last month from San Francisco City (Junior) College.

The other winner is 17-year-old Mary Okawa, also of San Francisco, who with her family spent more than four years in a wartime relocation camp. She was graduated in June from George Washington High, San Francisco.

The awards were announced by George Hardy, international vice president of the Building Service Employees International Union, AFL.

The scholarships are designed for children of BSE members as a means of assisting them to obtain higher education.

Bylinkin is the son of Serge Bylinkin, an employee of the Hobart Building and a member of Janitors Union Local 87, San Francisco. Miss Okawa is the daughter of Shuichi Okawa, an employee of the Commercial Building Maintenance Co., and also a member of Local 87.

Strike Bare Floors

In Garfield, N. J., more than 400 employees of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation warned defense employers throughout the country that unions won't stand for any cut in working conditions during the wage freeze. The 400 walked off their jobs in protest against having to stand on bare concrete floors while working.

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BARTENDERS 483—Meets at 315 Alvarado St., 1st Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., 3rd Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. Pres., Robt. S. Harrington, 823 Kimball St., Seaside. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Royal E. Hallmark. Office at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, phone 5-6734.

BRICK MASONS 15—Meets 2nd and 4th Fridays, 8:30 p.m. Pres., F. B. Hair, P. O. Box 264, Watsonville; Fin. Sec., M. Real, 154 Eldorado, Monterey, phone 5-6743; Rec. Sec., Geo. Houde, 208 Carmel Ave., Pacific Grove, phone 5-3715; Bus. Agent, S. M. Thomas, office at 315 Alvarado St., phone 5-6744.

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MOTOR COACH EMPLOYEES 192—Meets 3rd Friday, 1 p.m. and 4 p. m., Bartenders Hall; Pres., Emmet J. Wood, 230 Bentley, Pacific Grove, phone 5-6569; Sec., Dortis Lake, 404 Park Ave., Pacific Grove.

MUSICIANS 616—Meets 1st Sunday of each quarter, 2 p. m., Bartenders Hall. Pres., Don Snell, 161 Lighthouse; Bus. Agt., Lin Murray, 296 Alvarado St.; Sec., Don B. Forster, 140 Forest Ave., phone 5-6166.

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PLASTERERS & CEMENT MASONS 337—Meets 1st Friday, 8 p.m., 315 Alvarado St. Pres., S. Bruno, 150 John St.; Sec., Jose D. Mondragon, 272 Paine St., phone 5-6670; Bus. Rep., S. M. Thomas, P. O. Box 142. Office, 315 Alvarado St., phone 5-6744.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 62—Meets 2nd and 4th Friday, Carpenters Hall, 778 Hawthorne, 8 p.m. Pres., Gerald L. Walton, 334 Maple Ave., phone 2-6719; Rec. Sec., Paul P. Hazdovac, P.O. Box 11, Carmel; Fin. Sec. and B.A., 308 19th, P. G., phone 2-2611.

POST OFFICE CLERKS 1292—Meets last Thursday of month, Rm. 6, P.O. Bldg., 8:30 p.m. Pres., David "Bud" Dougherty, 404 Lighthouse, P. G.; phone 2-5213; Sec. and B.A., Dick Miller, 202 Via Del Rey, phone 5-6292; mail to Local 1292, Post Office, Monterey.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Geo. Sekols, 701 Ocean View, Pacific Grove; Sec. and B.A., Fred O. Davis, 240 Plateau Ave., S. Cruz, phone 4330-R.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, P. O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Ray Opfer, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Pres., Don Thompson, 416 Park, Salinas; V. Pres., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson, Monterey; Sec., Fred Clayson, 70 Robley Rd., Salinas, ph. 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets 1st Tuesday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 9:30 a.m. Pres., Shedo Russo, 457 Clay St., Monterey, ph. 2-4472; Rec. Sec., A. H. Finley, ph. Salinas 2-2261; Fin. Sec., H. E. Packard, Bx. 584, Watsonville, ph. 4-5610; Bus. Agt., Ray A. Beck, 513 McKenzie St., Watsonville, ph. 4-6127.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN & HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Thursday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt. Sec., Peter A. Andrade, 274 E. Alisal St.; Bus. Agt., Glenn Wilkerson. Office, 778 Hawthorne St., Monterey phone 2-0124.

Playboy Monarch

In Taormina, Sicily, union leaders and members were given their first chance to laugh out loud at a king. The Egyptian monarch, honeymooning in Sicily while strikes were being violently suppressed in his own country, tried to buy out a complete night club for one night. The Swiss proprietor of the fashionable club told the playboy king that he wouldn't cancel the reservations already made by "less noble personages" and gave King Farouk just a few tables. The union waiters grinned all night long because scores of policemen surrounded the place to "protect" the king who never showed up because he heard there were a couple of newspapermen sitting at a table.

USE STEERING WHEEL

Locking your brakes when your car begins to skid may result in your losing control altogether. Instead of applying the brakes hard, turn the front wheels in the direction the rear end is skidding. Keep your foot on the accelerator to maintain rear-wheel traction.

Analysis of collective bargaining contract clauses form an important part of the work of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Local 483 Reports

HOTEL AND RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES' INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCE AND BARTENDERS' INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE OF AMERICA — AFFILIATED WITH AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR — RECOGNIZES THIS HOUSE AS A UNION HOUSE — AND WISHES THE SUPPORT OF ORGANIZED LABOR

MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

We have just learned that three of the bartenders at the Hotel San Carlos are great fishermen. Brother Dick Graham was out on the big blue Pacific for six days and returned with 30 salmon. Caught every last one of 'em without the aid of a bar boy. Some fishing for a bartender, eh!

Brother Johnny Schlitt tried his hand for salmon on July 19, and it is reported that Johnny hauled in one salmon. Now the thing about Johnny's fishing trip that puts him in the hall of fame as an all-time great is that one salmon, Johnny claims that salmon was as big as the 30 salmon caught by Dick and that he had the salmon beached in one day whereas Dick was out six days making his salmon catch.

The third bartender out fishing from the San Carlos was brother Wally Wallace and it is reported that he brought in a Piroska Barcuisza.

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Correction! A thousand pardons! We have made a terrible error. Brother Wally wasn't out fishing at all—he was in Reno to be married and Piroska Barcuisza is the lovely and charming bride. How ignorant can this reporter be?

Brother Wally reports that he met Piroska, who is from Munich, Germany, about 30 days ago shortly after her arrival in the good ole U. S. A. and that it was love at first sight. The bride was formerly a dental technician with the 98th general hospital in Munich, Germany. The Wallaces are making their home in Carmel. We join in wishing Wally and Piroska every happiness and all the success.

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We know that anyone mentioned in this column, at whose expense a joke has been made, will understand that it was made without malice or intent to disparage.

Wear Your Union Buttons—Patronize the Union Label.

Next Union Meeting, Wednesday, first day of August, 8:30 p.m.

ITU to Publish 9 Dailies To Break Monopolies

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AFL Model Home

Detroit (LPA).—More than 10,000 persons in one week visited the modern ranch-type home built by members of locals affiliated with the AFL Building Trades Council as an example of union craftsmanship.

Tag Locomotives

In Richmond, Calif., union railroad men debated asking Congress to pass special legislation to prohibit local cops from tagging locomotives with parking tickets. Richmond Police Judge Clare D. Horner threw fines totaling $80 at eight trains that spent more than five minutes at a grade crossing.

Use of convict labor in filling Government contracts is banned by the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act.

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TUESDAY, JULY 24, 1951

CONGRESS FIDDLES WHILE U. S. BURNS

(From the AFL "Carpenter")

A couple of thousand years ago a Roman Emperor named Nero gained immortality of a sort by fiddling while Rome burned. Nero's untimely fiddling has become the accepted symbol of futility in the face of crisis. However, it seems to us that Nero's reputation is in danger; our own Congress seems determined to set a new record for music making while a holocaust threatens the world. The only difference is that our Congress is concentrating on chin music whereas Nero specialized in fiddle scraping.

For many weeks now Congress has been engaged in what might loosely be termed as the "Great Debate." Does it concern ways and means of beating Communism, staving off inflation and preserving our economic stability? Heck, no. It centers around what MacArthur said to Bradley in 1948 or what Truman wrote to Marshall in 1946.

Do the orators make the tocsin ring with pleas for the national unity which is so desperately needed to meet the frightening challenge of Communism? Decidedly not; they are too busy trying to determine what Acheson said to Barkley in the Senate washroom one day in 1944. All the while young men are dying in Korea, the nation is muddling along without an adequate civilian defense program and inflation is threatening to paralyze the national economy. Surely old Nero must be turning over in his grave.

BUNGLING BOOBS

The plain truth of the matter is that Congressmen are playing politics when they ought to be concentrating on preserving the nation from the greatest threat in history. The president fired a general; whether rightly or wrongly is immaterial. The firing brought to a head a serious difference of opinion as to what this nation should do in the Far East. Under ordinary circumstances such an event should be a beneficial one. It should bring into the spotlight the main question—development of a policy all people can support wholeheartedly.

TODAY'S MISTAKE

However, our Congressmen seem to be more interested in making votes for their particular parties in 1952 than they are in getting the nation united and adequately prepared to meet any emergency. What difference does it make who said what and when two years ago or five years ago. What is past is past. The fat is now in the fire and the problem is to get it out without sacrificing millions of American lives. That can never be done by hashing over what Taft said to Dulles six years ago or what Marshall wrote to Bradley last June. Mistakes have been made. There is no doubt of that. But those mistakes are all past. The greatest mistake of all is being made today by a Congress which spends more time worrying about the election scheduled for November of 1952 than it does about stopping Communism with a minimum cost of American lives.

Some bright day in the future when the menace of Communism has been eliminated historians can have fun digging up who said what to whom last year or the year before. But for the time being let the dead past bury its dead. There is a war to be won and a grave menace to national survival to be eliminated. One hundred and forty-nine million, nine hundred and ninety-nine thousand people are ready and anxious to do the job. But a thousand politicians and big wheels in government are too busy counting 1952 votes to concentrate on the main problem. They had better wake up pronto or the wrath of the American people will cut them down to size.

Permanente Master Pact Now Complete

Calling for a 7-cent hourly wage increase for all classifications plus a 3-cent hourly cost of living boost, the master agreement between building trades unions and local machinist unions and Permanente Cement Co. plants in Monte Vista (near Los Altos), Moss Landing and Natividad has been completed.

Union officials said the cost of living provision is to be adjusted quarterly. The contract covers about 200 workers at the Monterey County plants and some 800 at the Monte Vista plant.

Signatory unions include Electrical Workers 243, Laborers 272, Plumbers 503, Carpenters 925, all of Salinas; Boilermakers 6, Laborers 270, Carpenters 316, Engineers 3, Painters 507, Plumbers 393, Teamsters 287, Forgers 168, Molders 64, Gypsum Workers 100, Electricians 332, Brick & Clay Workers, and others, all serving Santa Clara County.

Carp. Council To Meet Aug. 14

Next meeting of the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters will be held at Monterey Carpenters Union Hall, 778 Hawthorne St., Monterey, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, August 14.

Council President Harvey Baldwin, of Salinas Local 925, urged a good attendance. Business will include such matters as discussion of jurisdictional problems, local employment pictures, and similar items of general interest to union carpenters in King City, Monterey, Salinas, Watsonville and Santa Cruz.

Labor Kids' Camps

Muskegon, Mich. (LPA). — A joint CIO-AFL committee is conducting a drive for $10,000 to finance the eight-week day camp for children here. It's the fifth year unions have sponsored the camp.

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Typo Union Plans 9 New Daily Papers

(AFL and LPA Release)

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The papers will test a wholly new idea in newspaper publishing. They will have their own news service with a direct wire from the Washington office to all papers in the chain. While each paper will have its own local staff, the Washington bureau will have general control over make-up and layout of the papers. All news stories will be tailored to include only the most important facts so there will be space for more items than most daily papers carry.

TRUTHFUL REPORTING

The bureau will write headlines for all stories it sends out so they will be ready to go directly to the composing room when they reach the news offices. All stories will be written without slant or bias. Length will be determined by importance. All stories will be complete on the pages on which they start.

The papers will appear on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday. There will be no Saturday or Monday editions. The Sunday paper will serve as a weekend round-up of the news. Local advertising will be solicited and the papers will carry a page of popular comics and cartoons. Simple, easy-to-read type faces will be used.

ITU President Woodruff Randolph says the project is "designed and produced so as to demonstrate that the present machinery and craft training as developed through a hundred years are still the best methods of producing a daily newspaper.

KEEP NEWS FREE

"Another end result of Daily News-Digest presentation will be to keep news free and the mechanical method of news presentation flexible enough for that purpose. The skilled linotype operator and the smooth running linotype machine, operated as it was designed to operate without the teletypesetter gadgets, is still the best combination for newspaper typesetting. It is the determination of the ITU . . . to continue to contract for all of the work processes entering into the composition and preparation of news and advertising matter which has commonly been referred to as composing room work."

Randolph said he believes the new kind of set-up for the papers will insure them popularity and acceptance. "The reader," he said, "will get a fair deal every day and the advertiser will always have a favorable reading page upon which his ad will appear."

ANY COMMUNITY

The papers are designed to succeed with an 8,000 to 10,000 circulation in any community. Publication will be in charge of Daye Byrne and the Washington bureau will be directed by Saul Miller. Both have had previous experience in starting new papers. All nine towns selected by the ITU are monopoly newspaper towns except Charleston, which has the Gazette, circulation 86,275, and the Mail, 60,162. Seven of the towns have morning and evening papers, but in all cases both papers are published by the same company. They are: Allentown Call and Chronicle, combined circulation, 79,078; Monroe, World and News-Star, 27,518; Texarkana, Gazette and News, 26,061; Springfield, News and Leader and Press, 58,904; Meriden, Journal and Record, 21,281; Huntington, Herald-Dispatch and Advertiser, 60,786; Beckley, Post-Herald and Raleigh Register, 34,400. Lorain has only an evening daily, the Journal & Time-Herald, circulation, 20,091.

NOTABLE MILESTONE

The step is a landmark in American journalism and may bring a new era of journalism in the interest of all the people.

The papers have been created to provide competition in communities where newspaper monopolies exist and in insure maintenance of union working conditions.

New techniques have been developed to give readers an easy-to-read, easy-to-handle newspaper with an honest and responsible report on news and opinion.

A smooth and efficient production system geared to standard printing processes has been developed to give the papers' readers the best in a daily newspaper.

Tight writing and editing will give the papers more news in their easy-to-handle tabloid-size pages than most papers carry in their larger columns.

New ideas in makeup and typography have been worked out for the papers in line with the compactness and terseness of their contents.

AFL in Landslide Win Over ILWU

(State Fed. Release)

The independent ILWU warehouse division of the Goldblatt-Bridges machine was delivered two staggering defeats recently by American Federation of Labor forces in San Leandro and Modesto.

Local 12 of the AFL Teamster-Warehouse movement routed Local 6, ILWU, in the recent collective bargaining elections at the General Foods Plant in San Leandro when they chalked up 75 votes to five for the independent union. Thirty-seven workers voted for "no union" in the plant which normally employs approximately 190 workers.

In the Modesto election, another Teamster affiliate, Cannery Workers Local 748, piled up a smashing victory at the Pacific Grape Company as they received 257 votes to only 33 for the ILWU. Since the ILWU challenged 14 AFL votes, the final tally may show a 271 to 33 landslide.

The Pacific Grape Products was at one time represented by the Food, Tobacco, and Agricultural Workers. When both the FTA and ILWU were expelled by the CIO for alleged Communist domination, the jurisdiction was shifted from the FTA to the ILWU. The AFL immediately called for a collective bargaining election which it won by an almost 9 to 1 majority.

H. C. Torreano, executive officer of Local 748, led the Modesto organizing drive, while Joe Dillon, secretary-treasurer of Local 12, directed the San Leandro campaign.

Santa Clara Labor Goes on the Air

(State Fed. Release)

Radio listeners in Santa Clara County are now given a weekly review of AFL news each Wednesday night over Station KSJO, San Jose, through the joint sponsorship of the Santa Clara County Central Labor and Building Trades Councils.

The 15-minute program starts at 7:30 p.m. with William B. (Bill) Pedigo as announcer. Pedigo is news editor of the Union Gazette, official paper of the combined councils.

70th AFL Convention In SF Sept. 17

(State Fed. Release)

The 1951 convention of the American Federation of Labor will open in San Francisco's Civic Auditorium at 10 o'clock Monday morning, September 17, it was officially announced last week by AFL President William Green.

In his official call to affiliated bodies throughout America, Green declared the 70th convention will continue in session from day to day until the completion of all business.

The AFL chief recalled that during the months which have ensued since the adjournment of the 1950 convention in Houston, U. S. labor has witnessed a clashing of ideologies and political philosophies at home and abroad.

Green declared that the question all Americans must answer in 1951 is: "Shall our free, democratic way of life and form of government survive, or shall it all be supplanted by totalitarianism and governmental domination?"

The convention call message concluded with the counsel that AFL officers and delegates to the San Francisco convention must renew labor's determination never to surrender, and combat more aggressively than ever the Stalinist threat, while extending to the American government "full and complete assurance of our cooperation and support in any world fight which may be made for the preservation of liberty, freedom, and democracy and in opposition to totalitarianism and communism."

Representation in the convention will be on the following basis: from national or international unions of less than 4000 members, one delegate; 4000 or more, two delegates; 8000 or more, three delegates; 16,000 or more, four delegates; 32,000 or more, five delegates; unions of larger memberships shall be represented in the same increasing ratio.

Central bodies and state federations will be entitled to one delegate.

Delegates will not be entitled to seats at the convention unless the tax and assessment of their organization shall have been paid in full to August 31, 1951.

All requests for hotel reservations should be directed to the AFL Housing Bureau, Room 200, 61 Grove street, San Francisco 2, California.

Cerebral Palsy Fund Drive Nearly Over

(State Fed. Release)

The AFL approved United Cerebral Palsy Fund campaign for 1951 neared completion this month with a television finale scheduled for San Francisco July 27 and a grand Southern California closing planned for Los Angeles Aug. 10.

AFL officials among directors of the national organization include President William Green, George Harrison of the Railway Clerks, and David Dubinsky, ILGWU chief.

Statistics recently published by the United Cerebral Palsy Associations Inc. reveal that 193,210 union labor families in the U. S. carry the burden of a cerebral palsy member. Purpose of the present campaign is to alleviate terrors of the disease and to further research for its prevention.

The first recorded strike of women took place at Dover, New Hampshire, in 1828.